RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE CREATION OF SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY – WORKING GROUP

Room 348, Department of Public Safety Middletown, Connecticut July 18, 2006

<u>ATTENDEES:</u> Legislative Liaison Wil Blanchette – Public Safety, Commissioner Leonard Boyle (Chairman) – Public Safety, Deputy Commissioner Jerry Farrell – Consumer Protection, Assistant State's Attorney Michael Gailor – Criminal Justice, Director Robert Isner – Environmental Protection, Deputy Commissioner Amey Marrella – Environmental Protection, Assistant State's Attorney Howard Stein – Criminal Justice.

I. WELCOME

- A. Meeting Called to Order by Commissioner Boyle at 3:05 p.m.
- B. Opening Remarks by Commissioner Boyle
 - 1. No public testimony will be heard at this meeting no means of recording.
 - 2. Minutes adopted from last week's (July 10, 2006) meeting.

II. PRELIMINARY REPORT

- A. Preliminary report will be delivered to Governor M. Jodi Rell on, or before, Friday
- B. Once a copy of the draft has been delivered to the Governor's Office, then it will become a public document.
- C. The working group's final recommendations will be submitted to the Governor on, or before, September 15, 2006. It will then be up to the Governor's Office to determine whether or not any further public hearings will be held. This will provide enough time for review, before the legislative session begins in January.
- D. An electronic version of Friday's preliminary report will be made available electronically. Requests can be made through Charlene (charlene.puska@po.state.ct.us).

III. REVIEW OF PUBLIC TESTIMONY

A. Members of the working group thanked the people that provided testimony; special mention was given to Mike Paine. The information provided will be quite useful in putting together the final report.

IV. FURTHER INVESTIGATIVE STEPS

- A. Avoid creating a bureaucratic jumble of regulations.
 - 1. Important not to create difficulties for the governmental (municipal, state, and federal) entities that already have regulations in place.

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B. Conduct a Municipal Survey

- 1. Obtain information from municipalities that already have some form of regulation in place. The final report to the Governor should include a breakdown of these existing regulations.
 - a. Some municipalities may already have some type of inspections in place. However, the backgrounds that are conducted may not be that extensive.
 - Wil Blanchette was assigned to conduct a survey to ascertain the types of regulations that are currently being imposed by the various municipalities.
 - ii. Commissioner Boyle will have a manager from the Department of Public Safety's Background Unit, attend the next meeting and explain the different types of background checks and what each entails.

C. New York

1. Assistant State's Attorney Michael Gailor offered to contact the Public Integrity Commission in New York to see if a member of that unit would come to address the working group, in order to gain greater insight into their plan.

V. DISCUSSION OF DRAFT DEP PLAN

A. It was agreed to include the draft DEP Plan in Friday's preliminary report.

VI. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING

A. The next meeting is scheduled to take place on Tuesday, August 8, 2006, at 2:00 p.m. in Room 348, at the Department of Public Safety in Middletown.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

1. Meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.